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## Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at \$1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1972 edition, as amended.

### Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included

in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under \$251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
\$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
\$500,000-\$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
\$100,000-\$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
\$20,000-\$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under \$20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from \$3,000 to \$15,000			

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
\$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
\$100,000-\$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
\$20,000-\$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under \$20,000	Generally \$500 to \$5,000
Cells of \$0	Generally less than \$500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

#### Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption

and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently re-exported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued \$251 and over. Data for shipments valued under \$251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under \$251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under \$251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of \$500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under \$500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than \$50,000.

**Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent**

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)						Value (1,000 dollars)					
	Total		North America		Europe		Australia and Oceania		Africa		U.S. flag carriers	
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers	South America	North America	Europe	Asia	All carriers	North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania
Total, all carriers...	85,302	(X)	20,576	9,944	40,044	10,994	1,206	1,749	615,180	(X)	81,099	345,897
U. S. flag carriers....	30,591	30,591	8,222	3,409	13,027	4,738	289	406	221,538	37,151	45,390	108,559
Boston, Mass.....	1,023	1,023	383	3	1,520	62	19	10	17,689	8,005	1,810	32
Bridgeport, Conn.....	4	4	-	-	4	(Z)	-	106	106	-	-	14,992
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	(Z)	-	-	-	(Z)	-	-	-	-	-	-	105
Buffalo, N.Y.....	283	305	-	8	(Z)	-	1	1	3,102	2,935	3,051	49
New York City, N.Y.....	11,332	2,565	2,406	25,536	3,946	127	918	328,097	103,227	14,532	16,377	245,993
Philadelphia, Pa.....	397	72	24	362	116	(Z)	20	5,631	2,691	361	101	3,050
Baltimore, Md.....	40	36	-	4	-	(Z)	135	1,300	1,300	-	-	3,157
Wilmington, N.C.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	99	9	3	71	5	5	6	361	6	19	19	1,298
Savannah, Ga.....	137	39	4	98	-	1	1,116	609	133	462	447	1,584
Tampa, Fla.....	84	27	78	6	(Z)	-	226	61	214	5	7	8
Mobile, Ala.....	13	13	-	-	13	-	-	136	136	-	-	1,517
New Orleans, La.....	273	88	246	23	(Z)	4	-	1,000	456	815	115	34
Laredo, Tex.....	441	343	217	223	-	(Z)	-	715	420	648	66	-
El Paso, Tex.....	85	84	-	-	(Z)	-	537	537	521	-	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	26	16	26	-	-	-	37	37	18	37	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	5,703	2,020	1,030	210	2,083	1,955	299	60,625	21,963	11,272	1,886	21,785
San Francisco, Calif.....	2,699	1,384	1,52	32	289	1,782	360	84	35,844	14,899	1,792	245
Portland, Oreg.....	77	71	5	-	71	(Z)	1	1,168	1,136	47	1,091	1,091
Seattle, Wash.....	1,002	722	248	2	227	518	1	10,472	6,020	1,906	12	2,646
Anchorage, Alaska.....	470	454	-	11	5	-	-	475	228	223	-	67
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	161	85	2	1	117	41	-	1,744	757	16	-	947
Great Falls, Mont.....	28	28	-	-	-	-	-	339	339	9	-	15
Pembina, N. Dak.....	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	9	9	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	134	110	81	-	34	19	-	(Z)	1,248	1,230	774	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,480	1,220	45	1,091	46	35	14	7,325	6,365	1,868	55	5,039
Chicago, Ill.....	6,973	3,495	1,782	2	4,156	858	(Z)	175	44,816	21,291	11,803	26
Great Falls, Mont.....	349	349	268	(Z)	79	2	(Z)	-	2,237	407	1,321	1
St. Louis, Mo.....	23	23	3	-	20	-	-	532	532	20	-	711
San Juan, P.R.....	937	482	754	170	12	(Z)	-	1	3,334	1,379	1,459	1,318
Miami, Fla.....	12,046	5,536	6,125	5,593	320	5	2	1	39,125	15,788	14,791	21,612
Houston, Tex.....	920	368	420	102	150	145	1	103	5,264	2,069	1,895	2,598
Washington, D.C.....	365	54	18	65	264	18	(Z)	1	6,049	1,007	117	4,986
All other districts.....	93	88	24	-	24	(Z)	-	45	412	335	221	73
Shipments under \$251.....	11,438	(NA)	4,867	1,031	3,609	1,339	315	277	25,652	(NA)	8,779	2,135
Special Category.....	500	500	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9,622	6,094	(D)	(D)

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Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unloading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent.)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)						Value (1,000 dollars)													
	Total		U.S. flag carriers		North America		Europe		Asia		Australia and Oceania		Africa		All carriers		U.S. flag carriers		North America	
	All carriers	(X)	9,335	7,546	39,031	19,224	341	1,149	381,163	(X)	26,707	13,787	225,083	103,539	2,576	9,375	104,199	60,744	1,081	2,264
Total, all carriers..	76,703	(X)	36,341	3,843	3,391	17,072	11,118	90	829	(X)	184,345	10,385	5,473	104,199	60,744	1,081	2,264			
U. S. flag carriers.....	2,660	1,613	55	16	2,360	27	-	1	12,297	7,349	471	25	11,253	112	-	-	436	-	-	
Boston, Mass.....	11	1	1	1	10	-	-	-	1,33	28	26	-	106	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bridgeport, Conn.....	48	45	2	47	-	-	-	-	67	52	20	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ogensburg, N.Y.....	147	110	128	(Z)	17	2	-	-	1,828	1,704	1,553	(Z)	266	8	-	-	-	-	-	
Buffalo, N.Y.....	35,924	16,395	796	2,825	26,152	5,829	76	248	205,154	88,264	4,345	8,330	153,644	31,335	578	7,222				
New York City, N.Y.....	609	318	32	(Z)	542	30	(Z)	4	5,769	3,110	469	6	4,696	245	3	349	-	-	-	
Philadelphia, Pa.....	91	79	7	-	68	15	(Z)	-	816	774	126	-	627	42	20	-	-	-	-	
Baltimore, Md.....	155	155	(Z)	-	155	-	-	-	1,508	1,507	1	-	1,508	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Wilmington, N.C.....	111	88	-	-	111	-	-	-	792	754	-	-	792	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Charleston, S.C.....	36	50	-	31	14	-	-	-	414	375	16	-	367	31	-	-	-	-	-	
Savannah, Ga.....	45	22	29	12	4	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	199	47	106	13	78	2	-	-	-	-	
Tampa, Fla.....	358	308	-	47	3	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Mobile, Ala.....	85	141	121	140	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	178	87	99	18	61	1	-	-	-	-	
New Orleans, La.....	12	12	-	(Z)	-	(Z)	-	-	-	250	152	226	-	23	1	-	-	-	-	
Laredo, Tex.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	486	486	481	-	(Z)	5	-	-	-	-	
El Paso, Tex.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nogales, Ariz.....	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45,922	24,580	3,554	406	13,744	27,243	881	-	-	-	
Los Angeles, Calif.....	5,859	2,944	253	73	1,010	4,456	58	8	32,568	20,400	376	22	1,832	29,729	583	26	-	-	-	
San Francisco, Calif.....	4,946	3,309	50	3	202	4,655	33	2	-	22	15	12	-	9	(Z)	-	-	-	-	
Portland, Ore.....	5	-	-	3	-	(Z)	-	-	-	6,657	5,218	1,326	(Z)	802	4,523	6	-	-	-	
Seattle, Wash.....	1,590	1,456	572	(Z)	167	851	(Z)	-	-	298	159	21	-	127	150	-	-	-	-	
Anchorage, Alaska.....	106	71	(Z)	-	35	71	-	-	-	2,298	1,258	64	-	676	1,377	181	-	-	-	
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	357	188	36	-	19	272	30	-	-	209	104	113	-	96	(Z)	-	-	-	-	
Great Falls, Mont.....	19	18	19	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	-	1,150	86	86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Pembina, N. Dak.....	15	15	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	(Z)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Minneapolis, Minn.....	234	15	-	32	194	-	-	-	-	1,027	217	-	-	429	503	-	-	-	-	
Detroit, Mich.....	779	643	76	(Z)	679	23	-	1	3,546	2,375	604	2	2,836	102	3	-	-	-	-	
Chicago, Ill.....	4,313	2,447	275	7	2,798	1,160	33	41	27,173	13,785	3,020	49	18,360	5,047	186	511	-	-	-	
Cleveland, Ohio.....	121	19	57	-	61	40	(Z)	-	-	975	567	-	-	379	25	5	-	-	-	
St. Louis, Mo.....	53	40	-	-	50	2	-	-	-	248	193	4	-	225	18	-	-	-	-	
San Juan, P.R.....	1,807	467	1,209	465	1,33	(Z)	-	-	1	2,647	576	1,442	362	837	2	5	-	-	-	
Miami, Fla.....	8,096	4,011	3,818	3,678	275	320	-	5	12,226	5,675	5,066	4,102	2,777	252	-	30	-	-	-	
Houston, Tex.....	1,087	907	103	1,22	112	27	-	-	723	3,094	404	698	86	917	1,195	198	-	-	-	
Washington, D.C.....	534	483	2	4	525	2	-	(Z)	4,030	3,631	14	8	3,636	10	362	-	-	-	-	
All other districts.....	94	11	87	7	(Z)	1,271	110	115	-	81	84	-	25	6	-	-	-	-	-	
Shipments under \$251....	6,313	(NA)	1,225	293	3,222	1,271	110	115	-	7,697	(NA)	1,994	357	3,927	1,550	134	140	-	-	-

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